California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team Draft Meeting Agenda

(Revised January 26, 2009)

Friday, January 23, 2009 1:00 PM Via Teleconference and webinar

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And

Tuesday, January 27, 2009 9:30 a.m.

Sheraton Gateway Los Angeles Hotel *
6101 West Century Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90045

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Public comment

The public will be invited by the co-chairs to offer comments on agenda action items. General comments on the work of the MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team (SAT), not directed to specific agenda items, will be taken at *approximately 3:10 p.m. on Friday, January 23, 2009 and at approximately 12:50 p.m. on Tuesday, January 27, 2009.* Note that the general comment period is for comments specific to the MLPA SAT; comments related to the regional stakeholder group, task force or other MLPA Initiative activities should be directed to those bodies or MLPA staff. Meeting materials will not be provided at the meeting but will be posted to the MLPA website as soon as they are available. This agenda may be found on the MLPA website at http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/meetings sc.asp.

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Meeting Objectives

- Review and potentially adopt marine protected area (MPA) evaluation methods for the MLPA South Coast Study Region
- Review preliminary responses to science questions from the MLPA South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group (SCRSG)
- Review list of species likely to benefit from MPAs
- Designate SAT MPA Proposal Evaluation Work Group members

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Note: Public comment will be taken after lunch at approximately 12:50 p.m.

Welcome, Introductions and Review of Agenda			
Updates			
I. SAT MPA Proposal Evaluation Work Team (continued from Day 1)			
II. MPA Design Guidelines and Evaluation Methods for the MLPA South Coast Study Region (continued from Day 1)			
	Н.	Review and Discuss Methods for Evaluating MPA Size	
		Potential SAT Action: Approve any proposed changes to design guidelines and evaluation methods for size	
		BRIEFING DOCUMENT H-1: Methods Used to Evaluate Marine Protected Area Proposals in the MLPA South Coast Study Region (Draft), Section 7.0 – Size (Draft revised January 5, 2009)	
	I.	Review and Discuss Methods for Evaluating MPA Spacing	
		Potential SAT Action: Approve any proposed changes to design guidelines and evaluation methods for spacing	
		REVISIT BRIEFING DOCUMENT I-1: Methods Used to Evaluate Draft Marine Protected Area Proposals in the MLPA South Coast Study Region (Draft), Section 8.0 – Spacing (Draft revised January 15, 2009)	
	J.	Review and Discuss Model Outputs for Evaluation of Proposed MPAs	
		Potential SAT Action: Approve use of models to evaluate MPA proposals	
		REVISIT BRIEFING DOCUMENT D-1: Methods Used to Evaluate Draft Marine Protected Area Proposals in the MLPA South Coast Study Region (Draft), Section 10.0 – Bio-Economic Modeling (Draft revised January 15, 2009)	
		BRIEFING DOCUMENT J-1: Spatial Bioeconomic Models for Evaluating Marine Protected Area Proposals PowerPoint Presentation	
	K.	Levels of Protection	
		Review and discuss levels of protection using the approach approved on Dec 17, 2008	
		Discuss cumulative impacts of multiple levels of protection and benthic-pelagic coupling	
		Potential SAT Action: Approve levels of protection for species in the MLPA South Coast Study Region	

		REVISIT BRIEFING DOCUMENT E-1: Methods Used to Evaluate Marine Protected Area Proposals in the MLPA South Coast Study Region (Draft), Section 4.0 – Protection Levels (Draft revised January 16, 2009)	
	L.	Water Quality	
		Review and discuss revised water quality guidance document	
		Update on proposed evaluation methods	
		Potential SAT Action: Approve water quality guidance document	
		BRIEFING DOCUMENT L-1: Recommendations for Considering Water Quality and Marine Protected Areas in the South Coast Study Region	
IV. Habitat Quality in the MLPA South Coast Study Region			
	M.	Update on Habitat Quality Topics	
V. Species Likely to Benefit from MPAs			
	N.	Review and Discuss Populated List of Species Likely to Benefit from MPAs	
		Potential SAT Action: Potentially approve list of species likely to benefit from MPAs as a living document	
		BRIEFING DOCUMENT N-1: Draft list of species likely to benefit from MPAs in the South Coast Study Region	
III. Questions from the MLPA South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group (continued from Day 1 of the meeting)			
	Ο.	Review Responses to Questions from the November 18-19, 2008 SCRSG Meeting	
		Potential SAT Action: Approval of responses to questions from the November 18-19, 2008 SCRSG meeting	
	P.	SAT Work Groups to Respond to Questions from the January 13-14, 2009 SCRSG Meeting	
		Potential SAT Action: Assign work groups to develop responses to questions from the November 18-19, 2008 SCRSG meeting	
		BRIEFING DOCUMENT P-1: Questions Received at the January 13-14, 2009 South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group Meeting	
	Q.	Protocol for Assigning SAT Members to Future SCRSG Questions	
		Potential SAT Action: Approve protocol for assigning SAT members to develop responses to science questions	
Wrap Up and Next Steps			
Adjourn			